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PLAYING TIMES & VENUES WARRANT REPEATING

If the weather permits, just show up at Sycamore. Morning sessions are always well-attended. If you want to play one of the noon or 4:00 days, arrive on time, or there may be no one there. They come, find no one there, and leave. AND no, it's not a misprint... on Thursdays from noon-3:00 you can play either inside or out.

MONDAY	8:30 – Noon	Sycamore Park
TUESDAY	4:00 – dusk	Sycamore Park
TUESDAY	6:30 – 8:30 pm	Birchwood Park gym (\$4)
WEDNESDAY	8:30 – 10:30	Sycamore Park
THURSDAY	Noon – 3:00	Sycamore Park
THURSDAY	6:30 – 8:30 pm	Birchwood Park gym (\$4)
FRIDAY	8:30 – Noon	Sycamore Park
SATURDAY	Noon – 3:00	Sycamore Park
SUNDAY	4:00 – dusk	Sycamore Park

INDOOR TIMES, VENUES, & FEES

FALCON REC CENTER

Monday & Friday ... 50+ ... \$6 or \$50/10-pass for residents ... Oct 8 thru April 26 ... 8:00 a.m. to Noon ... Courts will be assigned (no play 11/23, 12/24, 12/28, 12/31, 1/2, 1/4, 3/25, 3/29)

Wednesday ... 18+ ... \$4 or 10-pass \$30/res or \$40/non-res ... Sep 19 thru May 22 ... 8:00 a.m. to Noon... Open play (no play 12/26, 1/2, 3/27)

BIRCHWOOD REC CENTER

Thursday ... 18+ ... \$4 (or pass good for Wed at Falcon & this session) ... Sep 6 thru Jan 10 ... Noon to 3:00 ... Open play (no play 11/22)

HARPER HEALTH & REC CENTER, Bldg M

Tuesday & Thursday ... 18+ ... \$5 or \$45/10-pass (good only here) ... Sep 25 thru Dec 27 ... 8:30 a.m. to 11:30 ... Open play (no play 11/22, 12/25, 1/1)

Monday & Friday ... 18+ ... \$5 or \$45/10-pass (good all 4 days) ... Oct 1 thru Dec 28 ... 6:00 p.m. – 9:00 ... Open play (no play 10/12, 12/24, 12/31)

YOUNGEST PICKLERS TOURNAMENT

Often Picklers miss some of the “cattle calls” for tournaments or teams. Therefore, I’m putting this one up front in the newsletter. On Thursday, October 25th, the **youngest eight Picklers** to apply will compete to become our youngest royalty.

This is not limited to 50+ members. It’s open to all members and honorary (under 50) members. I’d say that anyone under 60 should apply. You never know how many will email me their interest. For example, when one of our Senriormost King/Queen competitors had to drop out, the only other to have applied to play was a decade younger than everyone else.

This tournament will take place at Canlan Sportsplex in Lake Barrington. Games will begin at 9:30 and should last to about noon. You will play seven games, one with each of your fellow competitors. The Pickler whose pairs score the most points will be our young King or Queen. If enough of you apply, I’ll make it two, separate tournaments...one for King and one for Queen.

LOTS LOVED LUNCH BY THE LAKES

Picklers aplenty came to the post-play picnic at Twin Lakes on Monday, September 17th.



Gus & Julie



Linda, Greg, & Bob



Bill, Bear, & Gina



Fran & friends



Lisa, Lucky, Betty, & John



Bob, Jim, Anne, & Kelly



Marv, Jeff, Marcie, Bob, Phil, & Greg



Mary, Janice, Jim, Dennis, Betty, Mike, Howard, & Anne



Bob, Julie, & Phil



. Fran, Bear, Don, & Joe

Kim, Kelly, Rosie, Michelle, Chris, Gina, & Sandy

Michelle, Donna, & Joe

Thanks to Julie Gall, for contributing the majority of these picnic photos, prior to editing. Many thanks to the Picnic Committee of Greg Kuhs, Linda Cherney, & Cathie Bloss (who avoided the lens all day). You created another, fun, social event enjoyed by 43 Picklers.



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Melody



Ralph



Riosni



guest (Shiela's son) Nate



. Sandy



Jim



Lizanne



Howard



Jim



. Kim



Joyce



Frank



Tony

MENTOREE ROYALTY

On Thursday, September 27th, eight Picklers who have been participating in our summer mentoring sessions had the chance to show Mentor Dennis and me how much they'd learned and internalized. It was fun for all.



Phil Twomey, Tony Labarbera, Connie Kus, Joyce Purdy, Fran Piehl, Maggie Curley, Lisa Schuller, & Art Goes



AND THE WINNERS ARE: Maggie Curley, 2nd ... Joyce Purdy, Queen ... Tony Labarbera, 3^r



Ben



Lucky



Rob



Anita



Angelina

REMEMBER TAMI ZYLKA ?

She says, "Hi" from Vermont. She's found a nice, evening group with whom to play. She still enjoys keeping abreast of the Palatine Picklers via our newsletters and communiques.

Tami was the first person in Marv Zwass's life that bumped him from the last spot on any alpha order list.



PALATINE PICKLER PROWESS

Time to see what kind of success our members have had in tournaments. BTW much of this I came across by accident and researched. It would be appreciated if you'd toot your own horn and send me results and pics.



Pam Berzin & April Volpe
Gold...40-4.5...Gurnee PB Tourney



April Volpe & Jim Camasto
Bronze...4.0-4.5...Gurnee PB T



Carol Stephens Kristine Corrado
Gold...3.5-4.0...Turner Camp PB T

CONGRATULATIONS, ALBERTO

Alberto Bernabe was the first to find two photos of the same Pickler in the September newsletter. I can't find the intended Pinehurst shirts so he wins his choice of any Palatine Picklers shirt. (It was Kelly.)

NOTE CHANGE ON WEDNESDAY PLAY AT FALCON

The PPD catalog showed Wednesday evenings 6:30 to 8:30, when it meant to show 8:30 to Noon. The times and venues shown in the August and Spetember newsletters were taken from the PPD catalog. Sorry for any inconvenience this caused. So ... it's just as it was last year. Wednesday mornings are for 18+ for \$4 a day.



Patty Eagleton & Ben Park
Gold ... WI Olympics ... 60-64



Patty Eagleton ... Silver ... Singles ...
60-64 ... WI Sr Olympics



George Kas & Jose Sosa
Silver ... 3.5 ... Turner Camp



Peggy Schuebel & Patty Eagleton
Gold ... WI Sr Olympics ... 60-64



Murray Rafalowicz & Dennis Girardi ... Silver ... 3.5 ... Gurnee

Players whose name appears in italics are not members of the Palatine Pickleball Club.



April Volpe & Jim Camasto ... Gold
4.0-4.5 ... Turner Camp Tourney



Pam Berzin & April Volpe ... Gold
4.0-4.5 ... Turner Camp Tournament



Carol Stephens & Kristine Corrado
Gold ... 3.5-4.0 ... Turner Camp



Phil



Carol



Jame's shirt



Jerry

EARLY BIRDS NEEDED AT BIRCHWOOD

Too few have answered to call. If you'd like to start your day with pickleball, email me (aokbarry@yahoo.com) the Mon-Fri mornings you'd be up for playing. If enough want to play on any day at 7:00 a.m. for \$4, it can happen. A number of Picklers enjoyed these early sessions last year. Let's do it again.



Carol



Cathy



Carol



Connie



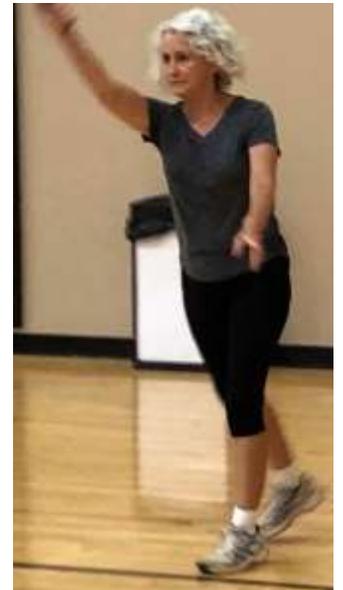
Debbie



Denise



Sue



Maggie



Helen



Jacob



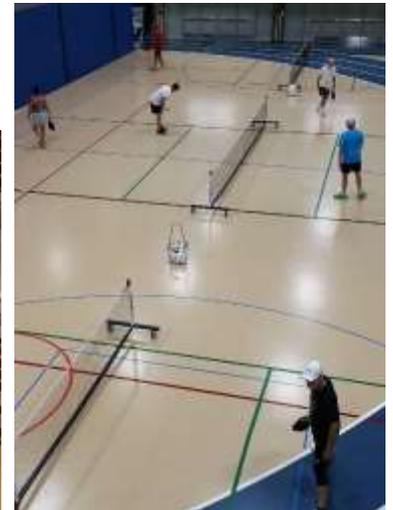
Gary



Gina

HARPER OFF TO A GOOD START

The first chance to try the new pickleball courts took place Tuesday morning, September 25th. The feedback was quite positive. There were only three courts lined, but that was fine. More and more courts will become available, as the need continues to grow. Keith Williams, talented Palatine Pickler and Superintendent of Recreation at the Palatine Park District, took some photos of the morning's activities.



PING PONG PICKLERS ... LET'S PLAY

A year or so ago, I published a cattle call for Picklers who'd like to compete in table tennis. Ever since then a few of us have tried to find an affordable venue with several tables. Short of having everyone book a cruise, we came up empty. Now I'm calling for all table tennis enthusiasts to email me (aokbarry@yahoo.com) that you'd like to compete the afternoon of Thursday, November 1st. We'll make it 2:00 p.m. so any on the Thursday travel team can still make it. We'll be playing at Play N Thrive, 81 Remington Rd, Schaumburg. We'll have a room full of tables just for us. Do not wait to reply, if interested. I'll meet with the Manager in two weeks. The final Pickler count will be a factor in determining the fee each of us will pay and the format.



Fran



Lori



Joe



Donna



Dennis



Suren



Tony



John

DID YOU ALWAYS WANT TO BE A TEAM MANAGER ?

This may be your chance. You can manage our Tuesday competitions against Barrington or Midtown Club or both. I'll be glad to mentor you and give you all the appropriate Picklers that have applied to play each match. You just need to create rosters of four men and four lady Picklers, and make sure they show up to play. I have made a scoreboard that will make life easy for tracking the scores throughout each match. Email me with your interest. I feel guilty for having all the fun. Email me at aokbarry@yahoo.com with your interest.

LAST MINUTE UPDATE ... We may revamp our Tuesday travel (see TUESDAY TRAVEL later), but email me anyway. If that doesn't happen, we'll still need new Captain/s.



Art



Dick



Anne



Bill

HOLIDAY PICKLERS PARTY

A FUN AFTERNOON PICKLING WITH FRIENDS WE'VE MADE AT THE PALATINE PICKLERS GAMES

ENJOY LUNCH AT THE LAMPLIGHTER INN, 60 N BOTHWELL, PALATINE, ON WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 5TH AT 1:00 P.M. THE FEE FOR A PRESET MENU, INCLUDING TAX AND TIP, IS \$16. (CASH BAR AVAILABLE) THERE WILL RAFFLES, AWARDS, AND A FUN AFTERNOON FOR ALL.

WE NEED YOUR HELP, IN ORDER TO RESERVE THE FACILITY. PLEASE LET US KNOW IF YOU WILL PLAN TO COME. JUST EMAIL US AT PALATINEPICKLERS@GMAIL.COM BY OCTOBER 31ST WITH YOUR INTENTION. PLEASE REFRAIN FROM TELLING US YOU WON'T BE ABLE TO MAKE IT.

FOR THOSE ATTENDING PAYMENT IS DUE BY NOVEMBER 15TH TO FRANCINE IACOVO.

YOUR SOCIAL COMMITTEE FOR THIS EVENT IS FRANCINE IACOVO, BETTY BOURGOIN, AND MAGGIE CURLEY.

This invitation was written by Fran Piehl



Greg



Don



Debbie



Marv



Laurie



Nez



Steve



Lisa



Thea



Donna



Linda



Marti



Jeff



Gregg



Bob



Bob



Rich

REQUIRED FORM FOR CANLAN PLAY

Whether you play at Canlan regularly ... only for travel teams ... only for only for King/Queen of the Court tournaments ... or for any other reason, you must have this release on file with them. It's pretty simple. Just click on the link below, complete the form, and hit "Submit." Canlan is a terrific place to play, and they always have nets up, lights on, and a water cooler for filling our bottles. This is such a small request they're asking. Please do it right now. Thanks.

<https://tms.ezfacility.com/OnlineRegistrations/Register.aspx?CompanyID=2335&GroupID=1944384>

ANOTHER CHUCK FAILURE

Although he has beaten Dave Weinbach in the past, our own Chuck Feinstein and his partner *Mike Sullivan* had to settle for Silver in the Star Wars '18 tournament in Belvidere last weekend. They lost to Dave and his partner 11-7 in the final game of what I'm sure was the "Other Worldly" Division.



WORK HAS BEGUN

This week work began at the site of our future, six-court, outdoor facility at the corner of Smith and Cunningham. I believe what you see here will be additional parking, and the courts will be at the far end of this lot. Exciting times await and a lot more fun for all Palatine Picklers next summer



BIRCHWOOD BASH A BIGGIE

Maybe it was the free water. Maybe it was the paddle drawing. In any case, at the peak of the afternoon this Thursday, Janice counted 60 humans were in the Birchwood gym. It was a pickleball open house/customer appreciation day. Janice Orłowski was the big winner of the Champion paddle. Denise Hopkins won the pickleball cap. PPD Keith manned the sign-up and snacks table and awarded the winners their prizes. Lots and lots of good pickleball lasted all afternoon. Thanks Palatine Park District.



TUESDAY TRAVEL TEAMS MET STIFF COMPETITION

Our four men- four ladies teams in their “lower intermediate” (3.2-3.6) play have lost their first two matches. Midtown Club welcomed us to fall competition with a 20-8 thrashing on September 25th. The next week on October 2nd, Barrington matched Midtown’s margin of victory with another 20-8 win.

Hmmm. I really want our players who aren’t quite of Thursday level (see next page) to have the chance to play competitively for our club. Maybe I can play matchmaker and have Midtown and Barrington play each other every other Tuesday, and find a slightly less competitive opponent for us on the other Tuesdays. That would be a win-win. Let me know if you’d like to play for us, if I manage to pull this off. Email me at aokbarry@yahoo.com. Thanks.

THURSDAY TRAVEL TEAM OFF TO A GREAT START

Our 3.5 to 3.9 travel team was dominant against clubs from Hoffman, Libertyville-Park Ridge, & DuPage yesterday. Captains Jim and Birgitte Latal have kept their winning, spring tradition alive and well. Thanks.



Front row: Brigitte, Linda, Jeff, Bob, & Don. Back row: Jim, Dana, Thea, Carol, John, Donna, & Gregg.

ENJOY A GREAT MONTH OF PICKLING AND A HAPPY HALLOWEEN



Let me hear from younger Picklers for their tournament ... and ping pong playing Picklers ... and anyone wanting to manage a travel team ... and anyone wanting to play on a lower intermediate Picklers team. Thanks

Bear Shatwell
PicklersPrez